

**MINING ACT RECLAMATION PROGRAM (MARP)
TYPES OF AUTHORIZATIONS
UNDER THE STATE MINING ACT**

NO PERMIT:

Prospectors, gold panners, and rock collectors causing no or very little surface disturbance and not using mechanized sluices or dredges.

PERMIT REQUIRED/NO APPROVAL:

General Permit (GP) Dry: No disqualifying characteristics; not over 200 cubic yards (cy)/year, with no more than 25 cy and 2 acres unreclaimed at one time. No Financial Assurance.

GP Wet: No disqualifying characteristics; not over 2 cy/day and 100 cy/year. No Financial Assurance.

PERMIT APPROVAL REQUIRED:

Minimal Impact Exploration Operations (MIEO): No disqualifying characteristics; not over 1000 cubic yards excavated; no more than 5 acres total disturbance. No Financial Assurance.

Minimal Impact New Mining Operations (MINMO): No disqualifying characteristics; not over 10 acres total disturbed land. Financial Assurance if 2 acres or more disturbance.

Minimal Impact Existing Mining Operations (MIEMO): Same as EMO but does not exceed MINMO and has no disqualifying characteristics. Financial Assurance if 2 acres or more disturbance.

Exploration Operations (EO): Exceeds MIEO threshold or includes disqualifying characteristic(s). Financial Assurance.

New Mining Operations (NMO): Exceeds MINMO threshold or includes disqualifying characteristic(s). Financial Assurance.

Existing Mining Operations (EMO): Operations that produced marketable minerals for a total of at least 2 years between January 1, 1970, and June 18, 1993, where continued operations exceed MINMO threshold or include disqualifying characteristic(s). Financial Assurance.

**DISQUALIFYING CHARACTERISTICS
FOR MINIMAL IMPACT OPERATIONS
UNDER THE STATE MINING ACT**

1. Wetlands
2. Critical Habitat
3. National or State Register of Historic/Cultural Properties
4. Direct Impact on Ground Water
5. Cyanide or Mercury Leaching
6. Cemetery or Burial Ground
7. Wilderness, Wilderness Study Area, Areas of Critical Environment Concern, and Wild and Scenic River
8. Source of Acid or Toxic Substances
9. Requiring a Variance from the Regulations

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